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**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the paragraph entitled "Cross Reference to Related Applications" with the following amended paragraph:

This application is a divisional of application Serial No. 09/369,866 entitled HYPODERMIC NEEDLE GUARD, filed on August 9, 1999, by William J. Vojtasek, which was issued on August 28, 2001, as U.S. Patent No. 6,280,419. The present application is related to application Serial No. 09/878,012 entitled HYPODERMIC NEEDLE GUARD, filed on June 8, 2001, by William J. Vojtasek, which was issued on November 26, 2002, as U.S. Patent No. 6,485,468.